# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 3466 - SB 3390

April 6, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (016508): Deletes all language of the original bill. Increases from 11 to 13 the number of board members for the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Fund. One member will be appointed by the Speaker of the Senate and one will be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Increases from four to five the maximum authorized number of members who reside in any one grand division of the state. Authorizes the transfer of revenue received each year from the tax levied on transfers of realty, from the Wetlands Acquisition Fund to the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Trust Fund with the written approval of the Executive Director of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. Authorizes the transfer of revenue received each year from the tax levied on transfers of realty, from the State Lands Acquisition Fund to the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Trust Fund with the written approval of the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Conservation.

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – \$1,800/Tennessee Heritage Trust Fund

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$1,800/Tennessee Heritage Trust Fund

Other Fiscal Impact – The Governor's recommended budget for FY10-11 includes \$3,187,500 in the State Lands Acquisition Fund, of which \$75,000 is budgeted for in-lieu of tax payments in the State Lands Compensation Fund and \$6,906,200 in the Wetlands Acquisition Fund, of which \$400,000 is budgeted for in-lieu of tax payments in the Wetlands Compensation Fund. Under this amendment, an amount up to \$3,187,500 may be transferred from the State Lands Acquisition Fund to the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Trust Fund and up to \$6,906,200 from the Wetlands Acquisition Fund to the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Trust Fund.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- New members may come from the East or West grand division.
- Board members will be reimbursed for travel expenses including meals, lodging, and mileage resulting in an increase in state expenditures from funds appropriated to the

- Tennessee Heritage Conservation Fund of approximately \$1,800 (2 new members x 3 meetings x \$300 average travel expense).
- According to the Department of Environment and Conservation, there are usually two or three meetings each year. This board has been inactive and has not held a meeting since July, 2008. No new funding has been allocated to this board since that time.
- An amount up to \$3,187,500 may be transferred from the State Lands Acquisition Fund to the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Trust Fund with the written approval of the Executive Director of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency and up to \$6,906,200 from the Wetlands Acquisition Fund to the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Trust Fund with the written approval of the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Conservation.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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